

## ARTESIAN OF SALT

Spouting Water in Gas Hole Southwest of Topeka.

Unusual Formation Found on the Flickinger Farm.

STRIKE WATER AT QUENOMO

Drillers Contend With New Conditions at 900 Feet.

Humors That Kansas Natural Buys Land Near Here.

Spouting of salt water from an artesian well at a depth of 600 feet on the Flickinger farm southwest of Topeka is creating great excitement among oil men in Shawnee county. Artesian wells are often discovered in drilling for oil but an artesian salt water well is a rarity.

Humors were flung that it was an indication of oil while others thought it was a gas well. The humors were current that an artesian well of such character discouraged any hopes of finding oil. From O. J. Boggs, representative of the Flickinger Oil & Gas company of Oklahoma, who has been in Shawnee county some months obtaining leases on land, it is learned that the artesian well is not a gas well, but a salt water well. The artesian well is not a gas well, but a salt water well. The artesian well is not a gas well, but a salt water well.

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## SNAP SHOTS

AT HOME NEWS

The Rev. Herbert Jones of Indiana, is filling the pulpit of the Central Christian church this month. The church is without a pastor at present.

License fees amounting to \$2,502.57 were collected in July by George Mattingly, collector, according to a report filed this morning. The report shows a slight increase over July, 1915.

J. W. "Dad" Weir, aged custodian of the city hall, who has been seriously ill for some time, was reported considerably improved this morning. Mr. Weir recently celebrated his eighty-second birthday anniversary.

W. E. Winner of Kansas City, the prominent interest in the purchase of the Leavenworth & Topeka, will speak before the Chamber of Commerce at Leavenworth this week and explain the plans for electrifying the road.

Children and matches figured prominently in a small blaze in a coal house, 140 Woodruff street, discovered shortly after 8 o'clock this morning. The fire was extinguished before it gained headway. The damage was slight.

Today, Florencio Nuno, a Mexican track laborer for the Santa Fe, was found lying beside the rails on the right of way at the Strongy branch. His skull was crushed. A telegram telling of Nuno's death was received in the general offices of the Santa Fe this morning.

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## "NEE'S MINT"

Girl, Life Wrecked, Is Placed in County Jail.

Pretty, but Diseased, She Repents for Her Wrongs.

FATHER AND MOTHER COMPLAIN

Through Their Efforts, Daughter Placed Behind the Bars.

Many Men in Topeka Are Concerned in Her Case.

Six months' travel over the prime rose path led her to the county jail. There were warning signs along the path and they told her where she was going. But she didn't believe in signs. She romped along with the fine disregard of seventeen years for warnings and signs. Thursday night the flower lined path made a sudden turn and she faced the open doors of the county jail. She couldn't go back for there was an officer behind her blocking the way. She went ahead and last night was her first in jail.

This girl—nameless for the present—has been employed in a downtown store in a responsible position. Six months ago her parents found her troublesome. She had stepped out of childhood and began telling her father and mother to get off on her. She abused her younger brothers and sisters. She quarreled with the whole family. She began staying out at night despite all restraints placed upon her by her parents.

Not more than three weeks ago her father, appealed to W. E. Atchison, county attorney.

"She's my daughter," he said, "but I can't stand her ways any longer. She is driving her mother frantic. She is abusing her younger brothers and sisters in a shameful way. She stays out half the night, then comes in and keeps up a rumpus until morning. No amount of punishment will stop her. She's running around with all kinds of men—married and single. I am satisfied she is suffering from an obnoxious disease. I am afraid to have her about the house. It's a hard thing to do, but I want her to leave my home. And if she won't leave, I want her arrested. Something must be done."

Atchison talked to her. Mr. Atchison called the girl up by telephone. He told her what her father had said. The girl came as near sobbing as she could. For a few days the girl was in the county jail. She was possible over half a mile of wire, but she agreed to leave.

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## DIPLOMAS COUNTERFEIT

Warrants for Examination Fakers—Doctors and Dentists Affected.

Chicago, Aug. 4.—A far-reaching inquiry of medical and surgical practitioners of Illinois have been illegally obtained their licenses to practice, was promised today as the result of disclosures before the Illinois state board of health and the action of the state dental board in producing warrants for the arrest of four alleged professional "Examplum" fakers.

Board of health officials predicted today that before the inquiry is ended many medical licenses will be revoked and that fully 100 persons who fraudulently obtained entrances to dental colleges will be arrested.

CLEAN OUT LAKE

City Takes Precaution in Gage Swimming Pool.

Fresh Water to Satisfy Demands of Park Patrons.

Following report that Gage lake would be cleaned out, the city pool had been permanently closed. During the past week city officials have been working to clean out the lake. The lake is now open to the public.

A general impression that water in the pool is heavily charged with malignant bacteria appears to have been given considerable credence in many quarters. The city has been making complaints made to the park commissioner's office, a bacteriological analysis was made of the water in the lake. The water was found to be unusually free from germs despite the limited area of the lake.

To satisfy a demand that conditions at the pool be improved, steps were taken to clean out the lake. Arrangements to change the water continually also were made. Fresh water thrown into the lake is first aerated by being sprayed through the air. Surface water is drawn off through a huge pipe placed at the deep end of the pool.

Rumors that swimming in Gage park is dangerous are believed to have originated with a North Topekan who became ill, following a swim in the lake. Reports that he was suffering from infection contracted in the water rapidly spread over the north side.

Examination by physicians later disclosed that water from the stream had entered one of the sinuses causing the trouble. The man was finally retained by the police, who repeated attempts to dislodge them.

In the region of Koryntnik Russian fire repelled enemy columns. Elsewhere there was mutual artillery fighting on the eastern front.

SEAMEN MAY STRIKE

Lake Officials Plan to Act in Union With Trainers.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 4.—Ten thousand lake seamen may strike with the four railroad brotherhoods if the trainmen decide to call a nation-wide strike. George Martin, business agent of the Lake Seamen's union, declared here today.

"National officers of the Seamen's union will come from New York tomorrow for a conference with the local union," he said.

"We are determined to bring about abolition of the blacklist and get wage increases," he said.

Martin stated that it is very probable demands of the seamen will be formulated and presented to shippers about the same time the conference in New York brings the railroad situation to a climax.

GERMAN SUBS HERE?

Report That U-Boats Drove Allied Cruisers Off U. S. Capes.

Washington, Aug. 4.—Ocean-going fighting submarines are off the Virginia Capes to protect the German submarine Deutschland, in the belief that the U-boat is en route to the Norfolk-Norfolk steamer Southland, arriving here today. According to Captain Knowell, who left Norfolk last night, the Deutschland is enabled to get away because the presence of the submarine became known to the allied patrol off the Virginia Capes, driving all but one British cruiser to a distance beyond the three mile limit.

PLEADED NOT GUILTY

Alleged Bank Robbers Arraigned at Leavenworth Today.

Leavenworth, Kan., Aug. 4.—Ralph Evans, Frank Mulkey and Burney Ballew, pleaded not guilty today in court here this morning on charges of robbing the Linwood and Jarbo, Kan., banks.

The preliminary hearing has been set for August 15. Each is held in default of \$10,000 bail.

Aeroplane Attack on Suez.

London, Aug. 4.—A bombardment of shipping on the Suez canal by hostilities was reported today in an official statement. The attack was carried out by two machines over Lake Timah, forty-five miles south of the canal. The machines were from the lake border, also was bombarded. No damage was done by either attack according to the official statement.

Read "Disease is Sin" at all book stores or E. Martin, Kansas City, Kan. Money goes to charity.—Adv.

## ATTACK CAR CREW

First Act of Violence in New York City.

2,243 Car Men Will Refuse to Work.

New York, Aug. 4.—The first act of violence and the first clash between strikers and policemen occurred in Manhattan this afternoon as the lines were drawn for the walkout of employees of all the surface street car lines in Manhattan, the Bronx and part of Long Island.

A Third Avenue car, in charge of strike breakers collided with a truck. The truck was damaged and the car was damaged. The strikebreakers were jeered and the windows shattered with volleys of stones. Police reserves were called to disperse the crowd.

Will Refuse to Strike.

The time limit attached to the street car men's demands expired at 3 o'clock this afternoon. President W. D. Mahon of the union said that the men refused to meet the demands. The men would be interpreted by the men tonight as a refusal to challenge to strike. According to union leaders, the men will quit work and they will strike at the expiration of night.

A crowd of strike sympathizers collected. The strikebreakers were jeered and the windows shattered with volleys of stones. Police reserves were called to disperse the crowd.

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TO SUPPORT HUGHES

New York, Aug. 4.—Raymond L. Robins, who had charge of the Progressive national convention, will, it is asserted, refuse a place on the Wilson campaign committee, and support Hughes.

This information was circulated after Robins had had a joy ride with Chairman Perkins of the Progressive national committee.

ECONOMY ON R. I.

Saving of Half Million in Report in Topeka Today.

Change in Organization Has Been for the Better.

A savings of a half-million dollars in loss and damage claim payments was made by the Rock Island lines in the last fiscal year, ending July 30, over